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BY

Annie Strozier

The Winning Way

If you put a little lovin' into all the work you do
And a little bit of gladness and a little bit of you,
And a little bit of sweetness and a little bit of song,
Not a day will seem too toilsome, not a day will seem too long,
And your work will be attractive and the world will stop to look,
And the world will see a sweetness like the tinklin' of a brook
In the finished job. And then the world will turn to look at you
With a world's appreciation of the things you've found to do.

Just a little bit of lovin' and a little bit of song,
And some pride to sort of make it straight and true and clean and
strong;
And the work that you're a doin', pretty near before you know,
Will have set the world a-talkin'. And the little winds that blow
Will bring echoes of it to you and you'll see that you have done
More than you had dreamed or hoped for when the task was first begun
And you'll find the bit of lovin' you have put into the same
Has come back to you in lovin' and come back to you in fame.

Them that strive for fame shall miss it—and that's what they ought
to do;

But if you put some gladness and if you put some of you
in the task that is before you and you put a bit of pride
Into it and you go at it glad of heart and eager-eyed,
You will find the world is turnin' pretty soon to look your way
And you'll find that there's a sweetness in the task of every day.
And the world will see your work and pretty soon will speak your name
And you'll find you have found lovin' and you'll find you have found
fame.

—Houston Post.

Introductory Sermon to be preached by
Rev. Mary Bartlett.

OUR SAINTED DEAD

“These All Died in the Faith”

“Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth. Yea, saith the spirit, they may rest from their labors; and their works do follow them.”

David Allen Boddie.

Gans Houston Smith

James Benjamin Landers

Calvin Sidney Morrison.

Josiah T. Humphreys.

Oliver R. Hearn.

B. W. Taylor

James P. Patton

I. R. Stickand

W. Davis Owen

Robert T. Crow

T. L. Crumpler

W. P. Mason

D. T. Ponder

L. H. Swayzee

OFFICIAL ROLL

Rev. E. O. HearnChatam, La.
President

Rev. Mary PerdueAtlanta, Texas
Secretary

Mr. W. W. McDonaldMonroe, La.
Treasurer

Rev. B. F. GriffinQueen City, Texas
Statistician

Third Year

Harris, W. W.	Fouke, Ark.
Strozier, J. R.	Athens, La.
Strozier, J. M.	Jena, La.



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MINISTERIAL ROLL

Brown, G. J. L.	Ball, La.
Bartlett, Mary E.	Atlanta, Texas
Brady, Sarah E.	Station B, Charleston, W. Va.
Beville, Arah	Monroe, La.
Corley, E. W.	Bentley, La.
Dennard, E. A.	Gibbsland, La.
Downs, J. R.	West Monroe, La.
Dunn, W. S.	Glenella, La.
Deville, B.	Montgomery, La.
Ezell, A. T.	Goldonna, La.
Fowler, W. P.	Oak Grove, La.
Hearn, E. O.	Chatam, La.
Hearn, J. C.	Grayson, La.
Hearn, J. F.	Grayson, La., R. F. D.
Holt, J. A.	Atlanta, Texas
Griffin, B. F.	Queen City, Texas
Little, Lawrence	Durham, N. C.
Lee, J. W.	Grayson, La.
Lewis, J. H.	R. F. D., Winnfield, La.
Little, J. C.	Atlanta, Texas
Mouser, E. M.	Grayson, La.
Nolley, O. W.	Ball, La.
Patton, I. A.	Jonesboro, La.
Perdue, Mary	Atlanta, Texas
Reid, J. F.	Winnfield, La.
Riley, J. A.	Trout, La.
Shows, F. Lyman	Pollock, La.
Smart, P. A.	Chatam, La.
Stennett, J. B.	Delhi, La.
Terry, J. W.	Choudeant, La.
Williams, J. A. D.	Jena, La.
Wardlow, Lula	Montgomery, La.
Cherry, H. A.	Oil City, La.
Johnson, Ada	Monroe, La.

Second Year

Cantley, H. H.	Plain Dealing, La.
Parsons, J. C.	Chatam, La.
McVey, G. A.	Jena, La.
Yeager, Ira	Monroe, La.

First Year

Ragsdale, W. F.	Simsboro, La.
Moore, M. D.	Queen City, Texas
Riley, Miss Ocie	Packton, La.

Superanuated

Platt, W. M.	Monroe, La
Austin, A. G.	Cedar Grove, La.

Foreign Missionaries

Long, Miss Mattie	India
Theopholis, Mrs. Florence	India

Honorary Member

Paul, Mrs. L. M.	Jena, La.
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Transfers

O. W. Steward transferred to the Eastern Conference.

LAY REPRESENTATIVES

Haynes, G. B.	Monroe, La.
A. J. McDaniel	Grayson, La.
Mrs. J. B. Boss	Jonesboro, La.
J. F. Strickland	Montgomery, La.
Mrs. B. F. Taylor	Jena, La.
John Cupples	Urania, La.
J. H. Brazelle	Georgetown, La.
J. L. Durbin	Dry Prong, La.
H. S. Garlington	Holloway, La.
J. T. Head	Chatam, La.
H. S. Gosdin	Arcadia, La.
T. L. Cowser	Arcadia, La.
John Moore	Queen City, Texas
R. E. Crow	Ansley, La
Mrs. Mary Meredith	Kelly, La.
Mrs. H. A. Cherry	Oil City, La.
J. C. Jorden	Pollock, La.
A. R. Campbell	Pioneer, La.
M. H. Nugent	Dry Prong, La.
A. T. Dean	Zenoria, La.

COMMITTEES

Divine Worship—M. E. Bartlett, John Cupples.

Applied Christianity—A. J. McDaniel, H. S. Garlington, J. W. Lee.

Pastor's Reports—E. A. Dennard, J. W. Terry, W. F. Ragsdale.

Periodicals—J. R. Strozier, T. L. Cowser, Mrs. B. F. Taylor.

Education—Mrs. Arah Bevill, G. B. Haynes, J. C. Jorden.

Finance—B. F. Griffin, W. W. McDonald, J. T. Head.

Official Character—G. J. L. Brown, J. L. Durbin, J. H. Lewis.

Missions—P. A. Smart, E. W. Corley, A. R. Campbell.

Orders—F. Lyman Shows, J. W. Lee, Rev. Lula Wardlow

By-Laws and Rules of Order—J. F. Reed, J. W. Terry, J. A. Holt.

Camp Ground and Institute—J. A. Riley, E. M. Mouser, Mrs. B. F. Taylor.

Board of Church Extension—F. Lyman Shows, Mary Perdue, W. W. McDonald, J. W. Lee, J. W. McKeithen.

Standing District Committee—W. W. McDonald, M. E. Bartlett, E. A. Dennard, H. S. Garlington, T. L. Cowser.

Thanks—J. R. Downs, John Moore, Mrs. May Meredith.

DAILY PROCEEDINGS

First Day

The Louisiana Conference of the Methodist Protestant church assembled for the Seventy-sixth Annual Session Thursday, November 2nd, 1922, at Urania, La., with President E. O. Hearn presiding.

Hon. Henry E. Hardtner, president of the Urania Lbr. Co., delivered the Welcome Address and the Rev. Lula Wardlow of Montgomery, La., preached the opening sermon Thursday evening.

The reading of the Old Testament lesson, earnest prayers, the singing of beautiful hymns, the happy faces, the joyous amens characterized the opening session, after which the Conference settled down to the regular order of business.

The Conference roll was called, and upon motion J. C. Cocherham was seated as the delegate from Little River Mission.

Upon motion the Conference bar was fixed and all visitors were invited to honorary seats.

Upon motion the order of the day was dispensed with and it was moved and carried to adjourn.

Conference met promptly at 2 p. m. The devotional service was conducted by Rev. J. W. Terry.

Secretary announced the names of those appointed by the president to serve upon the different committees, after which the president read his report, which was adopted.

Upon motion the roll was called and all pastors submitted their reports.

Upon motion Rev. B. F. Griffin was elected Statistical Secretary.

The reports of J. F. Reid, J. A. Riley, A. T. Ezell, W. F. Ragsdale, J. C. Little, J. W. Terry, J. M. Strozier were read and adopted.

The order of the day having arrived the Conference entered into the election of officers.

The chair appointed A. J. McDaniel, J. T. Head and W. W. McDonald as tellers of the election.

Rev. E. O. Hearn was elected president on the first ballot, and upon motion the vote was made unanimous.

Upon motion the chair was empowered to cast the Conference ballot for the re-election of Mary E. Perdue as Con-

ference Secretary, and also for the re-election of W. W. McDonald as Conference Treasurer.

Upon motion the funds collected to pay delegates expenses to the Board Meeting at Pittsburg, Pa., was appropriated on the President's salary, minus Bros. Shows' and Lee's expenses while traveling the district during Dr. Warner's visit.

Adjourned.

Second Day—Morning and Afternoon Sessions

The Conference was called to order by the president.

The devotionals were led by Rev. W. M. Platt and Rev. G. J. L. Brown.

The roll call omitted and the minutes of previous day's session read and adopted.

The president announced the arrival of Dr. T. H. Lewis, President of the General Conference, who was introduced and by motion the hour was fixed for Dr. Lewis to address the Conference.

The secretary read a telegram from Rev. Lawrence Little, State Secretary of the Christian Endeavor, stating his inability to be present at this Annual Session.

Dr. Butlar, president of Westminster College, Tehaucana, Texas, Rev. J. A. Wade of the Arkansas Conference, and Rev. A. G. Smith of the Congregational church were introduced and invited to honorary seats.

Committees on Education and Missions submitted their reports, which were adopted.

Motion prevailed to adjourn for committee work.

Conference was called to order by the president.

Dr. T. H. Lewis addressed the Conference in behalf of the various interests concerning our denomination. At the close of his address he requested Rev. Lyman Shows to explain the object of Dr. Warner's visit, which was done in a very able manner, after which several enthusiastic talks were made by other members of the Conference.

Committee on By-Laws and Rules of Order gave notice concerning changes, etc.

J. C. Parson and D. S. Johnson submitted re-ports, which were received.

It was moved and carried that the next Annual Ssession convene with Mt. Zion church, near Montgomery, La., Fri-

day before the first Sunday in November. Rev. Mary Bartlett was elected to preach the opening sermon.

Upon motion the hour was fixed for the "Special Service for Our Young People."

Motion prevailed to adjourn.

Third Day—Morning, Afternoon and Night Sessions

President called the Conference to order. Devotionals by Dr. Butler.

Minutes of the previous day's session read and adopted.

Upon motion Rev. E. M. Mouser, who has returned from the Texas Conference after an absence of two years, was re-admitted and his name placed on the Conference roll.

The various committees submitted their reports, which were adopted.

Upon motion the time was fixed for the Young People's Rally.

Motion prevailed to adjourn to meet immediately after the close of the Young People's service.

Conference was called to order by the president.

Committee on Finance submitted their report and upon motion the report was referred back to the committee.

The committee appointed to draft plans for the organization of a "Benevolent Association" submitted their plans, which were adopted with an amendment.

Committee on Finance submitted report, which was adopted.

Upon motion the Conference entered upon the election of officers for the Mutual Benefit Association, and the following officers were elected:

Rev. J. Lee, president.

Rev. Mary E. Bartlett, vice president.

Rev. Lula Wardlow, secretary and treasurer.

Upon motion it was ordered that the solicitors be paid \$1.00 per member and that the secretary be paid 50 cents per member.

Upon motion Montgomery, La., was made the domicile of the Benevolent Association.

Conference Steward submitted report, which was adopted.

Committee on By-Laws and Rules of Order submitted report, which failed to be adopted.

Secretary of Church Extension Board submitted report, which was adopted.

Upon motion Rev. H. A. Cherry was elected to Elder's orders and the time was fixed for his ordination.

Upon motion the undergraduates were requested to meet the committee on Iteneracy and Orders one day before the setting of the next Annual Conference. Upon failing to do so the committee will not be required to give them an examination.

The president appointed F. Lyman Shows, J. W. Lee and G. J. L. Brown solicitors for the Mutual Benefit Association.

Upon motion the Board of Church Extension was empowered to sell the Pleasant Grove church property and the church building at Union. They were also empowered to purchase a Gospel tent to be used over the district, if they deemed such advisable.

Upon motion an offering was taken and turned over to Rev. Lula Wardlow for the purpose of obtaining the books prescribed by the Discipline in the Course of Study, said books to be loaned to the undergraduates, thus assisting them in bringing up the prescribed course. It was also moved and carried that no undergraduate could expect to be promoted until he shall have returned the books borrowed or its equivalent.

Rev. J. R. Downs, manager of the Home of the Good Samaritan, submitted a verbal report concerning his work.

The Stationing Committee read their report, after which a motion prevailed to adjourn.

Thus ended the Seventy-sixth Annual Session of the Louisiana Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

To the Louisiana Annual Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church:

I submit this report:

I have endeavored to do the work devolving upon me as president of the Conference, but owing to sickness I have not done what I desired and expected to do. I put forth every effort possible under the prevailing conditions.

I have visited a majority of the churches, and would have gone to several more if the appointments had been arranged to correspond with the dates that I made. I met with fifteen Quarterly Conferences. So far as I know the pastors have discharged their duties.

Officially

Chatham, Mt. Nebo, Spring Lake and Sunrise were left unsupplied, so immediately after Conference I appointed Rev. J. C. Hearn pastor at Chatham and Concord churches, and Rev. W. S. Dunn pastor of Mt. Pleasant and Zora.

I appointed Rev. A. Deville pastor of Mt. Nebo charge and Rev. I. A. Patton pastor of Sunrise.

Rev. F. L. Shows did not accept Winnfield and Center Point churches and I appointed Rev. I. A. Patton pastor of Center Point, but could not supply Winnfield church nor Spring Lake charge.

In December I released Rev. A. T. Ezell from Mason Ridge charge and it remained unfilled.

In December I released Rev. Lula Wardlow from Couley church and appointed Rev. A. Deville pastor there.

In May I released Rev. J. A. Holt from Roberts church and it remained unfilled.

In October I gave Rev. O. W. Stewart a transfer to the Eastern Conference and Rev. W. T. Methvin a letter of standing.

Our Needs

We need a greater appreciation for our church. This does not mean opposition to other churches, but "charity begins at home."

We as preachers and laymen need to make a consecrated effort to build up the church.

We need a better system of raising the finances of the church.

We need to be loyal to God, to our Discipline and Church Government in order that we may fulfill our mission as a church.

I thank you for your co-operation during the year.

Respectfully,

E. O. HEARNE.

PASTOR'S REPORTS

This is to certify that we have handed the reports and all money and receipts over to the Statistical Secretary.

E. A. DENNARD.

W. F. RAGSDALE,

J. W. TERRY.

APPOINTMENTS

PLACE	CHURCH	PASTOR
Grayson	Shiloh Grayson Monroe	E. M. Mouser
Jonesboro	Jonesboro Dodson New Hope Center Point	I. A. Patton
Hicks	Mt. Zion	Lula Wardlow
Queen City	Courtland Knight's Bluff Terry Chapel	B. F. Griffin
Kelly	Kelly Sardis	Ira Yeager
Fish Creek	Ursery Chapel Fish Creek	G. J. L. Brown
Union Grove	Walker Union Grove Concord	B. Deville
Gray Creek	Gray's School House Eberneza	G. A. McKay
Rice	Walnut Grove Luna Mt. Pleasant Zora Pine Grove	J. B. Etennette
West Carroll Mission	Pioneer	Unsupplied

PLACE	CHURCH	PASTOR
Antioch	Antioch	J. C. Hearn
Heflin	Heflin	W. F. Ragsdale
Stout's View Mission		Unsupplied
Roberts Mission		W. W. Harris
Strickland	Barron's Chapel Ball Bethel Holland's Chapel Clear Creek	J. C. Parsons
Bentley	Spring Hill Dry Prong Bentley Colfax	E. W. Corley
Arcadia	Spring Hill Arcadia Bethlehem Providence Cross Roads	J. R. Strozier
Mt. Nebo	Mt. Nebo Bethel	E. A. Dennard
Pollock	Pollock Sarepta	F. Lyman Shows
Sunrise Mission	Hughes Chapel	Unsupplied
Pleasant Hill	Lewis Chapel Pleasant Hill	J. H. Lewis

PLACE	CHURCH	PASTOR
Ansley	Chatam Ansley Concord	J. W. Lee
Belah	Taylor's Chapel Belah Damascus Winnfield	J. A. D. Williams
Urania	Urania	M. E. Bartlett
Evergreen	Antioch Evergreen Cold Water Couley Jena	A. T. Ezell
Little River Mission	Zenoria	M. E. Bartlett
Oil City	Ferry Lake	M. E. Perdue

EVANGELISTS

J. A. Riley.	J. C. Hearn.
M. E. Bartlett.	Arah Bevill.
M. E. Perdue.	Lula Wardlow.

CONFERENCE MISSIONARIES

J. F. Ried.	H. A. Cherry.
O. W. Nalley.	J. C. Little.
J. A. Holt.	H. H. Cantley.

SPECIAL APPOINTMENT

J. R. Downs, General Superintendent and Financial Agent of the Home of the Good Samaritan.

Lawrence C. Little, Field Secretary of the Board of Young People's Work of the North Carolina Conference.

WITHOUT APPOINTMENT

J. W. Terry.	W. S. Dunn.
P. A. Smart.	J. F. Hearn.
Ada Johnson.	W. P. Fowler.

FINANCIAL

Conference Treasurer's.

Total amount cash and receipts	\$437.93
To General Conference Claim.....	\$197.06
To Church Extension.....	65.66
To Conference Secretary.....	43.79
To Conference Fund.....	43.79
Conference Journals, Stationery, etc.....	43.79
Superannuated Fund.....	21.89
Conference Treasurer.....	21.89

W. W. McDONALD, Conf. Treasurer.

Church Extension

Total amt. at beginning of year, cash and in notes	\$679.59
Received from Conference Treasurer	65.66
Loan to Chatam	200.00
Loan to Jonesboro	130.00
Donated to Winnfield	46.00

F. LYMAN SHOWS, President.
J. W. LEE, Sec. and Treas.

Report of Finance Committee.

1. We recommend that the President's salary be fixed at \$1,500.00 and that same be apportioned to the different charges, according to their ability.

2. We recommend that our General and Annual Conference budgets be apportioned to the different charges according to their ability.

3. We recommend that our Conference Secretary be paid \$75.00 and balance of Budget be apportioned as follows:

50 per cent General Conference Claims.

15 per cent Church Extension.

15 per cent Conference Fund.

10 per cent Conference Journals, Stationery, etc.

5 per cent Superannuated Fund.

5 per cent Conference Treasurer.

4. We recommend that all money collected except President's salary be sent direct to our Conference Treasurer, W. W. McDonald, Monroe, La., Motor Rt. A South.

5. We further recommend that our pastors preach on the subject of Gospel Stewardship and urge that every mem-

ber bear their part of the assessment, as God has prospered them, and that the President, pastors and people co-operate together in making this a banner year.

B. F. GRIFFIN.

J. F. HEAD,

W. W. McDONALD.

APPORTIONMENTS

	Charges	President's Salary	Budget	Total
1.	Grayson	\$125.00	\$150.00	\$275.00
2.	Jonesboro	125.00	150.00	275.00
3.	Pollock	65.00	75.00	140.00
4.	Ansley	100.00	130.00	230.00
5.	Evergreen	75.00	80.00	155.00
6.	Strickland	75.00	80.00	155.00
7.	Rice	75.00	80.00	155.00
8.	Bentley	60.00	70.00	130.00
9.	Mt. Nebo	60.00	70.00	130.00
10.	Aacadia	60.00	70.00	130.00
11.	Queen City	60.00	70.00	130.00
12.	Kelly	20.00	60.00	80.00
13.	Bealah	50.00	40.00	90.00
14.	Urania	25.00	65.00	90.00
15.	Hicks	30.00	50.00	80.00
16.	Fish Creek	25.00	30.00	55.00
17.	Pleasant Hill	30.00	30.00	60.00
18.	Union Grove	25.00	30.00	55.00
19.	Oil City	20.00	20.00	40.00
20.	Antioch	25.00	40.00	65.00
21.	Little River	20.00	20.00	40.00
22.	Heflin	20.00	20.00	40.00
23.	Gray Creek	20.00	20.00	40.00
24.	Roberts	20.00	20.00	40.00
25.	West Carroll	25.00	25.00	50.00
26.	Sunrise	20.00	20.00	40.00
27.	Stout's View	20.00	20.00	40.00

SOME STARTLING FACTS

It comes as a most amazing bit of information that in these days of high salaries there are preachers who are laboring for as little as \$300 and \$400 a year, and even less amounts.

The churches of the land have been raising millions in money for all manner of purposes, but we have not heard that much of these funds are to be used for the benefit of underpaid pastors, yet that is fundamental to church efficiency and there never was a time in the history of the world when it was so important that churches function properly as now.

We owe a living wage to the devoted men and women who labor for the cause they represent, enabling them to devote their entire time and energy to constructive church work.

Begin now to make this a great year.

REPORTS

EDUCATION

We, your committee, submit the following report:

There is a marked degree of progress in every line of endeavor today, and only that institution can long survive that is able to cope with the obstacles that are thrown in its way.

As a church we are no exception to this rule. To meet the great responsibilities that our work for the Master has placed upon us we need better preparation.

Our need for education is imperative. With the means of a greater preparation a greater efficiency for the Master's work is within our grasp. Thus let us not fail to make the most of it.

We heartily endorse the work our institutions of learning are doing, especially our Tabernacle College, and pledge our support and earnest co-operation in the fight for an educated ministry.

Therefore we recommend that our young preachers coming into the Conference do all in their power to attend at least one or more sessions of our colleges, and become better prepared to discharge the duties incumbent upon them.

It is further recommended that a stricter observance of our prescribed Course of Study be given by our undergraduates.

We are going into the battle today with greater responsibilities and greater opportunities.

Let us go forward better equipped, ready to meet the struggles that lie before us.

Let us as a church "study to show ourselves approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth."

We further recommend that this Annual Conference go on record as favoring the five year program that is to be put on for the benefit of Westminster College, and that we co-operate with Dr. Butler in whatsoever plans he may suggest.

ARAH BEVILL.

G. B. HAYNES.

J. C. JORDEN.

APPLIED CHRISTIANITY

We, your committee, submit the following report:

This subject covers a field of thought too broad to be explored by this committee in so short a time and expressed in few words, and we will confine our report to the two subjects: Temperance and Sabbath Observance.

Mention Temperance and our mind holds up Intoxicating Beverages, but we should not forget that there are many other excesses practiced that are very harmful, and as a body of Christian people advocating a high standard of Christian experience, we should continually guard against all excesses and strive to be temperate in all things.

The indulgence in intoxicants is fraught with far greater evil than any other act of intemperance, which justifies the greater emphasis placed upon prohibition.

We hail with joy the Eighteenth Amendment and also the Enforcement Law, and we note with pleasure the splendid results where the laws have been enforced.

Better living, better homes, larger bank accounts and a marked decrease in drunkenness have been the gratifying results, but the fight is not over, and the cause of prohibition never needed the combined support of its adherents any worse than now.

We therefore urge our people to lend every honest effort possible to this great cause.

With respect to Sabbath Observance: This is one of God's commandments most frequently violated, and especially of late years.

While the country is undergoing the great moral depression resulting from the late war many things are practiced now that would not have been tolerated a few years ago.

But we are glad to note that the thinking people of our beloved country are taking notice of the spiritual dearth and are writing some splendid articles, and one writer in summing up the whole situation said in conclusion:

“We cannot legislate moral principles into people and if these conditions are corrected the church of the Living God must do it.”

Therefore we urge the Conference to use every possible means to clear the responsibility from our door and assist the other splendid churches of our country in bringing this country to a state of normalcy with respect to its moral and religious standard.

A. J. McDANIEL.

J. W. LEE.

H. S. GARLINGTON.

ITENERACY AND ORDERS

We, your Committee on Iteneracy and Orders, report as follows:

We recommend that M. D. Moore, who is in school at Cincinnati, and who comes properly recommended, and Miss Ocie Riley, who also comes recommended, be received into the Conference and placed in the First Year's Course of Study.

We recommend that no action be taken on the admittance of V. O. Jones in the Conference until the President makes further investigation.

We recommend that T. A. Honeycutt and D. S. Johnson be dropped from the Course of Study, and that W. F. Ragsdale be retained in the First Year's Course, and G. A. McVey and Ira Yeager be passed to the Second Year's Course.

We also recommend that, by request, Bessie Griggs be dropped from the Course of Study and that H. H. Cantley and J. T. Parsons be retained in the Second Year's Course.

We further recommend that J. R. Strozier, on account of his accident, and J. M. Strozier by request, be retained in the Third Year's Course.

We recommend that inasmuch as W. W. Harris is not present that he be retained in the Third Year's Course, and that H. A. Cherry be elected to Elder's orders.

F. LYMAN SHOWS.

J. W. LEE.

LULA WARDLOW.

MISSIONS

We, your Committee on Missions, submit the following report:

We find that the mission work is being neglected and our work is being retarded because of same.

The harvest is white and the laborers are few, and many precious souls are being lost.

We recommend that a mission field be set off in West Carroll Parish, to be known as West Carroll Mission, and that there be a live, energetic person sent there to supply and build up the work that has been already started.

We also recommend that missionaries be sent to these uncultivated fields and ask that some plan be devised whereby some means can be raised to help support the work.

We further recommend that some of our strongest preachers be sent to these prospective fields, as we feel that preachers of less ability may not be able to keep the well organized work going on.

P. A. SMART.

A. R. CAMPBELL.

E. W. CORLEY.

PERIODICALS

We, your Committee on Periodicals, submit this, our report:

Inasmuch as there is a wide circulation of all kinds of literature and that a great deal of said literature is unsafe and unclean and not wholesome to read,

Therefore, be it resolved that we earnestly urge every preacher of this Conference to subscribe for one or both of our church papers and that every pastor do all that he can to place one of our church papers in every Methodist Protestant home.

We further recommend that our people use our Sunday School literature.

J. R. STROZIER.

MRS. B. F. TAYLOR.

J. F. STRICKLAND.

CAMP MEETING

We, your Camp Meeting Committee, submit the following report:

Whereas, the Lord has placed in our hands the land and means to build a large tabernacle adjoining our church property at Belzah Louisiana,

And whereas, it is the desire of the people to establish a camp ground, we therefore offer this property to the Louisiana Conference to be used to hold Annual Camp Meetings, Institutes, etc., to be

known as the Holiness Camp Ground of the Methodist Protestant Church.

That the Camp Meeting Committee be expected to engage the workers, set the date for each camp or gathering and give notice so that all our pastors may arrange to attend.

J. A. RILEY.

E. M. MOUSER.

MRS. B. F. TAYLOR.

THE LOUISIANA METHODIST PROTESTANT MUTUAL BENEVOLENT ASSOCIATION

We your committee appointed to draft plans for a Benevolent Association, beg leave to submit the following plan, and recommend that if after consideration this plan is accepted, that this Conference appoint a solicitor to go out and get up the membership at as early date as possible.

These plans have been adopted after prayerful consideration, and we feel that it is the best we can do.

Respectfully submitted,

G. J. L. BROWN.

LULA WARDLOW.

AMENDMENT—That the Conference appoint a solicitor who shall have the right to call to their assistance all or as many pastors as may be deemed necessary.

Upon motion Rev. E. O. Hearn was appointed said solicitor.

We, the Members of the Louisiana Conference, hereby form ourselves into a benevolent organization for the purpose hereinafter named and with By-Laws provided and adopted by the Conference to govern same.

1. The name of this organization shall be "The Louisiana Conference Methodist Protestant Mutual Benevolent Association."

2. The purpose of this organization shall be to furnish protection to her members at actual cost.

3. This Association is founded on a sound co-partnership business basis, to conerve and take care of the needs of our people.

4. The Association shall be composed of the members of the Louisiana Conference who may wish to join, but no one who is not a member of the Methodist Protestant church in the state may become a member.

5. The officers of this Association shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary-Treasurer. These officers shall be elected annually by the Louisiana Conference at her regular session.

6. Any layman between the ages of 14 and 65 and any minister who is in good standing in this Conference may become a member of this Association upon paying the application fee.

7. The membership fee of this Association shall be \$2.50, which shall accompany the application, and which shall be divided as follows: \$1.00 shall be put on deposit and \$1.50 shall go to the Secretary and expense of the organization.

8. The assessment fee shall be \$1.15 each upon proof of the death or total permanent disability of any member in good standing. \$1.00 shall go to the beneficiary and 15 cents to expense of collection, and each member shall have 15 days from notification to pay the said assessment, and in case of failure on the part of the member to pay said dues he shall be dropped from the Association without further notice.

9. The beneficiary shall receive the amount collected by one whole assessment of the Association. Upon proof of the death or total permanent disability of any member the Secretary shall be required to make assessment upon said proof.

10. Total permanent disability means when one becomes unable to follow any vocation by which he may obtain a living, which disability shall be adjudged permanent.

11. It shall be the duty of the President of this Association to sign all beneficiary certificates, preside at all meetings and have a general over-sight of all the work of the Secretary-Treasurer. The Vice President shall act as president in the absence of the President. The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep a complete record of the membership of the Association and give notices, make assessments and when the President has been put to actual expense to do his work the Secretary shall provide this expense. The Secretary-Treasurer shall be put under \$1,000 bond, said bond to be arranged within six months from date of the organization of the Association.

12. The first officers of this Association shall be as follows:

President—J. W. Lee, Grayson, La.

Vice President—Mary E. Bartlett, Atlanta, Texas.

Secretary-Treasurer—Lula Wardlow, Montgomery, La.

These officers shall act until their successors are elected.

13. The domicile of the Association shall be at Montgomery, La., which is fixed by the Conference.

This having been passed by the Louisiana Conference of the Methodist Protestant Church in session at Urania, Louisiana, on the 4th day of November, 1922.

J. W. LEE, President.

MARY E. BARTLETT, Vice President.

LULA WARDLOW, Secretary-Treasurer.

GRATITUDE AND THANKS

Whereas, the Methodist Protestant Church of Urania, Louisiana, has given to the Louisiana Conference a cordial invitation to hold the Seventy-sixth Annual Session in their midst;

Whereas, the Urania Lumber Co., pastor and people have given us a most cordial welcome, having done all in their power to make our stay with them a pleasant one;

Resolved First: That we express our gratitude and thanks to pastor and people for their unfailing attention as Conference hosts, for taking us into their homes and giving us such royal entertainment.

Resolved Second: That we express our appreciation for the faithful service rendered by the Urania Lumber Co. and people of the other denominations, and also to the railroad companies for their concessions.

Resolved Third: That we as a Conference shall not forget to pray the richest of God's blessings upon you as a church, people and corporation.

Respectfully submitted,

J. R. DOWNS.

J. G. MOORE.

MRS. MAY MEREDITH.

THINGS TO REMEMBER

We call ourselves a Christian nation, and yet—

Twenty-six million children are growing up in it with no religious training whatever.

The average contribution for the support of the church is not \$2.00 or \$3.00 a day per member, but less than three cents a day.

The average salary of a minister is less than \$20.00 a week—about half the pay of a mechanic.

Do these facts mean that we as a nation want to give up Christianity and the church? You alone can decide that question so far as your influence and your family's influence is concerned.

A FEW OF THE NEEDS

A living wage for our ministers.

Increased church hospitals in this country to take care of over 100,000 sick now turned away.

Religious education to reach the twenty-six million children who are growing up in our country without religious training.

If you believe in strengthening the Christian Nation in which you live—if you believe in the best that is America, you will help your church and help gladly.

Give from your heart as well as from your pocketbook.

RULES OF ORDER

Section 1. The Conference shall be opened promptly on the day and time appointed, the President conducting the Devotional Services. The roll shall then be called, after which the President shall read the Annual Report.

Sec. 2. The names of all pastors shall then be called, and as their names are called they shall deposit with the Secretary their reports, together with monies and receipts for collection, which shall be turned over to the committee on pastors' reports.

Sec. 3. On assigning the floor to any member of the Conference, he shall distinctly announce the member to whom it is assigned.

Sec. 4. All motions and resolutions shall be written, if the President and Secretary request.

Sec. 5. When a motion is seconded or a resolution introduced and seconded, or a report presented, and is read by the Secretary or is stated by the President, it shall be deemed in the possession of the Conference any time before the amendment or decision.

Sec. 6. All motions to postpone or to lay on the table shall be taken without debate.

Sec. 7. No new motion or resolution shall be entertained until the one under consideration has been disposed of, which may be done by adopting or rejecting, unless one of the following motions shall intervene, which are placed namely: First, indefinite postponement; Second, laying on the table; Third, referred to a committee; Fourth, postponement to a given time; Fifth, substitute; Sixth, amendment. A substitute or amendment may be amended.

Sec. 8. When any member is about to speak in debate or to

deliver any matter to the Conference, he shall arise and respectfully address the President, but shall not proceed until recognized by him.

Sec. 9. No member shall be interrupted while speaking except by the President, to call him to order when he departs from the question or uses personalities, or disrespectful language; but any member may call the attention of the President to the subject when he deems a speaker out of order, and any member may explain when he thinks himself misrepresented.

Sec. 10. When a member wishes to speak to a question of privilege he shall briefly state the question; but it shall not be in order for him to proceed until the President shall have decided it a privileged question.

Sec. 11. No person shall speak more than twice on the same question, nor more than five minutes at one time, without leave of the Conference; nor shall any person speak more than once until every member choosing to speak have spoken; provided, however, that the mover of a resolution, or a committee making a report, shall in all cases be entitled to five minutes to close the debate.

Sec. 12. When a motion or resolution shall have been acted upon by the Conference, it shall be in order for any member who voted with the prevailing side to move a reconsideration, but a motion to re-consider is a non-debatable motion, and must be decided without debate.

Sec. 13. No person shall absent himself from the Conference without leave, unless he is sick or unable to attend.

Sec. 14. No member shall be allowed to vote on any question who is not within the bar when such question is put by the President, except by leave of the Conference, when he shall have been necessarily absent.

Sec. 15. Every member who is in the bar at the time the question is put shall give his vote unless the Conference for special reasons excuse him.

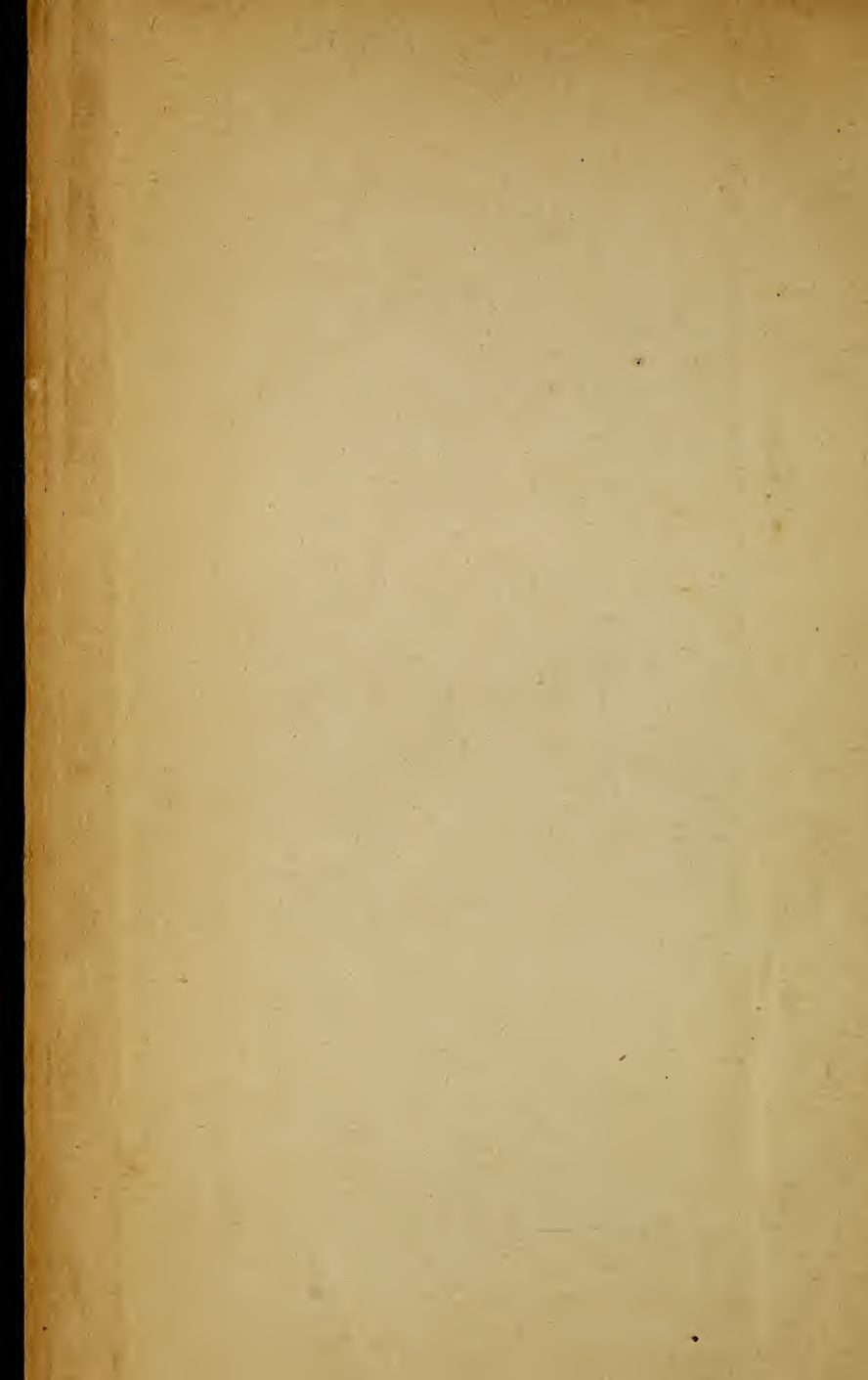
16. It shall be in order for any member to call for the ayes and nays on any question before the Conference, and if the call be sustained by one-third of the members present, the vote shall be taken by the ayes and nays.

Sec. 17. It shall be in order to move the question be taken without further debate on any measure pending before the Conference, except in cases where character is involved.

Sec. 18. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order, and shall be decided without rebate.

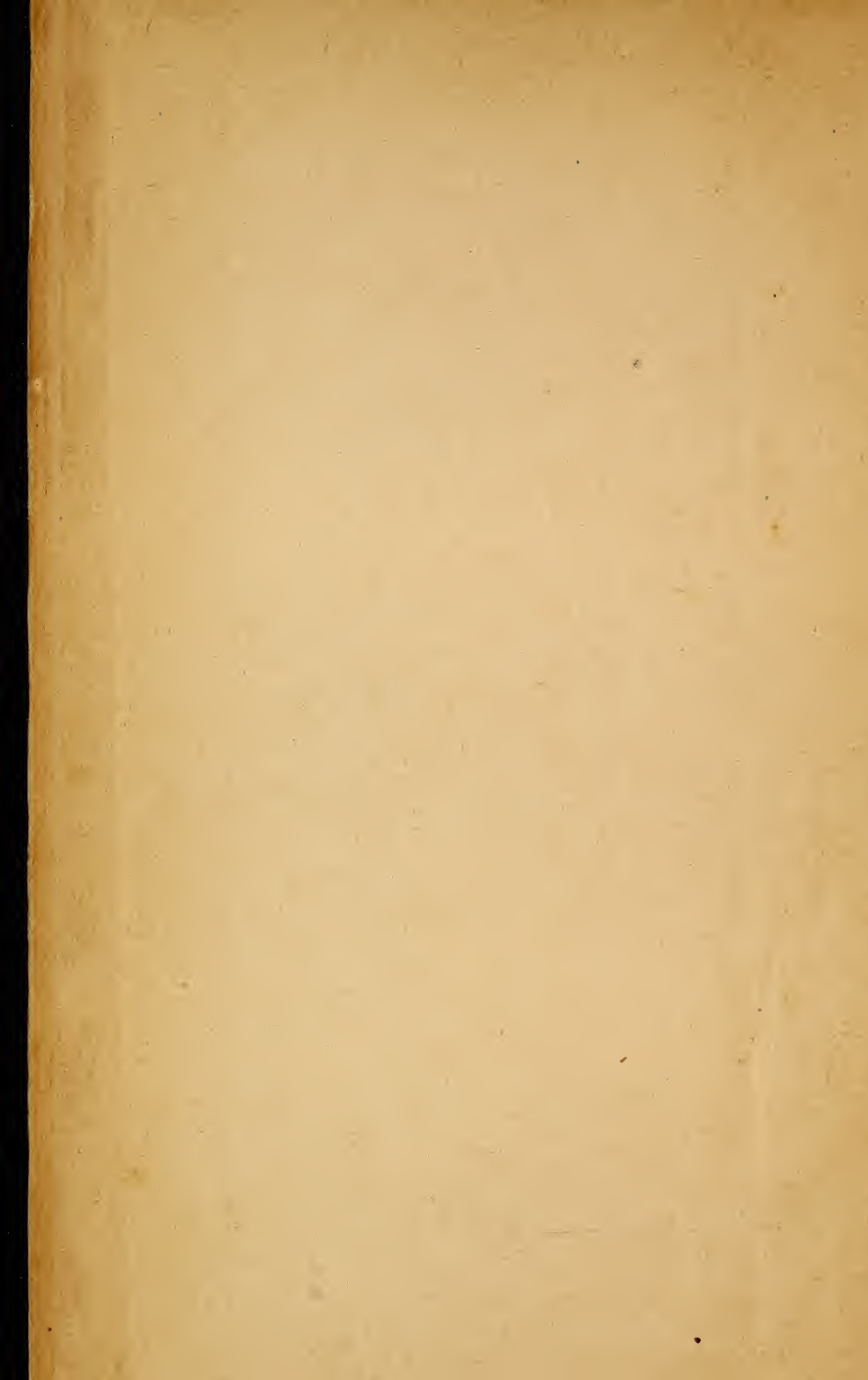
Sec. 19. The President shall appoint the chairman of committees on subjects of general interest and notify said chairman of his appointment at least ten days before each session of Conference.

Sec. 20. The committee on examination shall be appointed one year in advance, and meet at next Annual Conference one day prior to convening of that body, and that the undergraduates meet said committee for the purpose of being examined in their studies.



PLACE

Monroe.....
Grayson.....
Jonesboro.....
Hicks.....
Belah.....
Urania.....
Pleasant Hill...
Evergreen.....
Strickland.....
Chatam.....
Arcadia.....
Cross Roads Cl
Queen City.....
Terry's Chapel
Mt. Nebo.....
Union Grove...
Ansley.....
Kelly.....
Oil City.....
Shady Grove...
Antioch.....
Sunrise.....
Couley Church
Spring Lake...
Fish Creek.....
Little River M
Winnfield Ch..



STATISTICAL TABLE

PLACE	PASTOR	MEMBERSHIP												Property and Literature				FINANCIAL											
		Organized Churches and Appt.	Ordained Ministers	Local Preachers	Members at Beginning	Accessions	Dismissed or Lettered	Deaths	Net Increase	Probationary Members	Sunday School	Enrollment	Officers and Teachers	Christian Endeavor	Missionary Societies	Church Buildings	Parsonages	Other Holdings	Value of Church Property	Indebtedness	Number of Church Papers Taken	President's Salary	Pastor's Salary, Cash Paid	Rental Value of Parsonage	Total Support	Local Expenses	Building and Repairs	Conference Assessments	
Monroe.....	Rev. Arah Bevell.....	1	1	1	38	4	2	2	7	1	40	5	2	135	12	2	40	2	2	6,000	200	5	50.00	442.50	420	862.50	39.00	117.00	43.00
Grayson.....	J. W. Lee.....	2	1	1	117	10	8	2	9	2	135	12	2	40	2	2	2	2	5,000	200	5	88.50	879.00	120	999.00	200.00	117.00	105.00	
Jonesboro.....	L. A. Patton.....	4	1	2	300	14	3	2	9	4	200	15	1	20	1	4	1	1	4,500	130	3	62.60	950.90	120	1,070.90	250.00	16.00	25.00	
Hicks.....	Rev. Lula Wardlow.....	2	2	1	165	20	3	5	12	1	65	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	1,500	1	1	38.85	239.75	25	278.60	145.25	250.00	16.00	
Belah.....	J. A. D. Williams.....	4	1	4	198	44	1	44	44	4	120	16	1	1	4	1	1	1,000	4,200	1	28.05	519.19	25	505.00	232.00	1,048.75	11.00		
Urania.....	Rev. Mary Bartlett.....	1	1	1	40	16	1	16	17	1	100	7	1	1	1	4	1	1	15.00	400.00	1	15.00	400.00	400.00	400.00	400.00	75.65	75.65	
Pleasant Hill.....	J. H. Lewis.....	4	1	2	215	33	5	27	30	3	143	14	1	31	1	4	1	500	2,000	2	28.65	215.01	60	286.01	80.00	75.00	12.00		
Evergreen.....	J. R. Strozier.....	3	2	2	178	14	3	11	3	3	70	12	1	31	1	4	1	1	1,200	1	2	32.52	266.77	60	326.77	71.50	30.00	15.00	
Strickland.....	E. W. Corley.....	3	2	2	169	36	1	36	3	3	225	15	1	30	1	6	1	1	4,000	200	1	15.00	550.00	550.00	550.00	120.00	200.00	60.00	
Chatam.....	J. C. Hearn.....	2	2	2	157	4	6	1	3	1	35	4	1	30	1	2	1	1	1,500	200	1	32.60	208.00	220	328.00	87.00	30.00	60.00	
Arcadia.....	E. A. Dennard.....	3	1	1	79	4	1	1	3	1	35	4	1	30	1	2	1	1	2,000	1	1	35.00	222.50	220	442.50	23.00	17.15	8.50	
Cross Roads Church.....	J. R. Downs.....	2	2	2	83	4	2	1	1	1	40	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	900	1	1	22.00	105.00	105.00	105.00	95.00	10.00	21.00	
Queen City.....	B. F. Griffin.....	2	3	1	250	10	1	10	7	2	120	10	1	1	1	2	1	1	3,000	2	2	18.00	229.95	240.95	240.95	50.00	50.00	50.00	
Terry's Chapel-Roberts	J. A. Holt.....	1	1	1	78	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1,000	1	1	5.00	32.75	32.75	32.75	32.75	32.75	32.75	
Mt. Nebo.....	Sup. by A. Deville.....	3	1	1	161	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	500	1	1	2.58	43.50	43.50	43.50	43.50	43.50	43.50	
Union Grove.....	H. H. Cantley.....	3	1	1	108	3	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3,000	1	1	43.00	609.00	652.00	652.00	120.00	120.00	63.00	
Ansley.....	F. Lyman Shows.....	1	1	1	73	2	1	2	2	1	85	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	800	1	1	18.00	35.83	45.86	45.86	45.86	45.86	45.86	
Kelly.....	Ira Yeager.....	2	1	1	55	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	700	2	2	15.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	
Oil City.....	Rev. Mary Perdue.....	1	1	1	29	9	1	9	10	1	60	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	800	1	1	18.00	35.83	45.86	45.86	45.86	45.86	45.86	
Shady Grove.....	Arthur McVey.....	3	1	1	10	26	1	25	2	2	34	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	700	2	2	15.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00	
Antioch.....	P. A. Smart.....	5	1	1	179	9	11	2	2	2	85	13	1	1	1	1	1	1	1,000	1	1	42.08	184.15	184.15	184.15	184.15	184.15	184.15	
Sunrise.....	L. A. Patton.....	1	1	1	81	2	1	2	2	1	25	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	400	1	1	66.17	66.17	66.17	66.17	66.17	66.17	66.17	
Couley Church.....	B. Deville.....	1	1	1	24	5	1	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	600	1	1	3.07	36.17	36.17	36.17	36.17	36.17	36.17	
Spring Lake.....	No report.....	3	1	1	165	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	400	1	1	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	100.00	
Fish Creek.....	J. G. L. Brown.....	2	1	1	39	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	400	1	1	57.00	107.60	107.60	107.60	107.60	107.60	107.60	
Little River Mission.....	J. F. Reid.....	1	1	1	31	31	1	31	1	1	35	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	2,000	1	1	57.00	107.60	107.60	107.60	107.60	107.60	107.60	
Winnfield Ch.....	Unsupplied.....	1	1	1	33	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2,000	1	1	57.00	107.60	107.60	107.60	107.60	107.60	107.60	
		57	23	16	3047	298	51	17	241	71	34	1617	64	7	121	6	40	10	\$1500	\$53,700	\$530	33	\$651.42	\$6,709.82	\$985	\$8,104.11	\$1,385.91	\$1,587.90	\$485.15

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